NLP for OpenFoodFacts

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Introduction

OpenFoodFacts can be considerated as a wikipedia for food! It contains more than 2.5 millions products but maybe all products are not perfectly described.

This time we analyzed and classified the ingredient list of these foods by NPL and identified the most similar foods. The project involves data cleaning, modeling, data visualization, food similarity calculation, and cluster analysis. A simple analysis has provided some insight into this dataset, but there are still many areas for improvement.

Data cleaning

The obtained dataset is a table with nutritional and compositional information about the food, and includes characteristics such as country. The dataset has 260,000 rows, and considering the analysis difficulty and RAM carrying capacity, I first selected 200,000 data for preliminary view (it is the maximum carrying capacity of the computer), The final 500,000 data was retained for the next step of analysis.

• Given that this dataset has more than 100 features, we first look at the number of null values.

```
#Check null data : there are lots of categories and many null dat
openfoods.isnull().sum().sort_values(ascending=True).head(50)
                                                                 0
code
url
                                                                 0
created t
                                                                 0
created_datetime
                                                                0
last modified t
last_modified_datetime
states
                                                                0
states_tags
states en
completeness
                                                                1
creator
pnns_groups_2
                                                             3644
pnns_groups_1
ecoscore_grade
                                                             4205
                                                             5432
countries
countries en
                                                             5435
countries tags
                                                             5435
product_name
                                                            68455
last_image_t
                                                           371672
last_image_datetime
                                                           371672
energy_100g
                                                           412963
proteins 100g
                                                           421031
fat_100g
                                                            422774
```

 I found two categories about countries and looked at their values separately and found that they were not in a uniform format and included even more than 4000 countries. Given the limitations of NLP and my language, I decided to select the data from the United States (English) for analysis first.

```
# we have 2 country categories, the "contries_en" has 4000+ values
openfoods.countries_en.value_counts()
                                                                                       751205
United States
                                                                                       531377
                                                                                       118383
Germany
Spain
                                                                                        94614
United Kingdom
                                                                                        74534
Belgium, Francia
Francia, Suiza
                                                                                            1
French Guiana, Martinique
                                                                                            1
fr:espagne-□,fr:france□,fr:portugal□
Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Poland, Serbia
Name: countries en, Length: 4286, dtype: int64
```

 Given the large dataset, can just delete the null and duplicate values.

```
# drop rows( null and duplicate Values)
new_openfoods = new_openfoods.dropna(axis=0, how='all')
new_openfoods = new_openfoods.drop_duplicates()
```

Merge all U.S. data as the subsequent data set.

```
#there are too many null values and due to langue issues we choose data of US first
openfoods_us=openfoods['countries']=='United States')|(openfoods['countries']=='en:us')
```

 Now get a dataset with 50,000 rows, except for the product name and country, temporarily keep the other categories exist some null values.

```
new_openfoods.isnull().sum().sort_values()
                            0
product_name
countries
                            0
energy_100g
                        38204
energy-kcal_100g
                        38251
carbohydrates_100g
                        39044
fat 100g
                        39202
proteins 100g
                        39315
sugars 100g
                        48936
salt 100g
                        67642
sodium_100g
                        67643
fiber_100g
                       145094
ingredients_text
                     203727
categories
                       225879
nutrient_levels_tags
                       235239
dtype: int64
len(new_openfoods)
```

Ingredients Vectorization

I chose to further research the product by studying the food ingredients, performing tokenization, stemming, lemmazation, and removing stop words and various punctuation and numbers.

 Food ingredients is a data frame with index and values , for better research, changed it to list .

```
3] ingredients us.head(10)
         beta alanine, creatine hcl, ancient peat & app...
  64
         Bananas, vegetable oil (coconut oil, corn oil ...
         Peanuts, wheat flour, sugar, rice flour, tapio...
         Organic hazelnuts, organic cashews, organic wa...
  126
  127
                                           Organic polenta
        Rolled oats, grape concentrate, expeller press...
  128
  129
                             Organic long grain white rice
  130
        Org oats, org hemp granola (org oats, evaporat...
  131
         Organic chocolate liquor, organic raw cane sug...
  132
         Organic expeller pressed, refined high oleic s...
  Name: ingredients_text, dtype: object
```

Cleaning all the test of this list .

```
def clean text(text):
   if text is None:
       return ''
#remove punctuation and remove words containing numbers, take text lo
   text = str(text).replace("nan",'').lower()
   text = re.sub(r'\[.*?\]', '', text)
   text = re.sub(r'[%s]' % re.escape(string.punctuation), '', text)
   text = re.sub(r'\w*\d\w*', '', text)
#tokenizer
   text_token = token.tokenize(text)
#lemaziner
   text_new = []
   for word in text_token :
       if (len(word) >= 1 and word not in STOPWORDS):
            word_lemma = lemma.lemmatize(word)
            word stem = stemm.stem(word)
            text new.append(word stem)
   text_new =list(set(text_new))
   return text new
```

• The 20 most frequent words in the food ingredients list are obtained by text cleaning and final word tokenization.

```
[ ] sorted(word_freq, key=word_freq.get, reverse=True)[:20]
     ['salt',
      'sugar',
      'flavor',
      'water',
      'acid',
      'oil',
      'natur',
      'corn',
      'milk',
      'flour',
      'sodium',
      'citric',
      'syrup',
      'color',
      'wheat',
      'starch',
      'contain',
      'less',
      'soy',
      'gum']
```

Modeling

For the resulting words, I modeled them using word2vec, which is a method of converting words into vectors. By calculating the distance of each word to calculate the word similarity, meanwhile, I got the map of food ingredients list.

• Build a dictionary by sorting the number of occurrences to get a dictionary of more than 5000 words.

```
[ ] len(w2v_model.wv.vocab)

5648
```

Try to find the most similar word to a word ("oil")

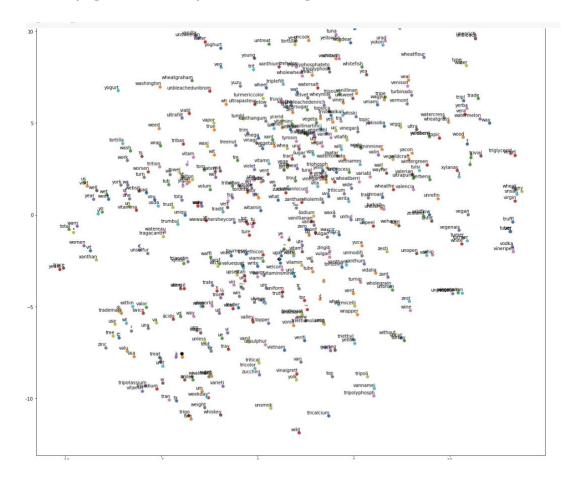
```
#find the most similar words in vocabulary of "oil"
w2v_model.wv.most_similar(positive=['oil'])

[('cornstarch', 0.3338833451271057),
  ('product', 0.3291834592819214),
  ('crouton', 0.3159681558609009),
  ('buttermilk', 0.3150302767753601),
  ('includ', 0.2947615385055542),
  ('potato', 0.2923141121864319),
  ('cauliflow', 0.28253111243247986),
  ('flake', 0.2824838161468506),
  ('herb', 0.27954649925231934),
  ('walnut', 0.27575528621673584)]
```

Calculate the similarity of two values.

```
w2v_model.wv.similarity('chip','oil')
0.12528147
```

Finally got the map of food ingredients list.



 The TSNE diagram visually displays similar words for the word "oil" and compares them with high-frequency words from the dictionary.



Similarly of Products

By calculating the similarity of the ingredient words in the food table, the similarity of two food products can then be obtained.

new_openfoods_us.head(10)

ingredients_text	product_name	
beta alanine, creatine hcl, ancient peat & app	hyde icon	9
Bananas, vegetable oil (coconut oil, corn oil	Banana Chips Sweetened (Whole)	64
Peanuts, wheat flour, sugar, rice flour, tapio	Peanuts	65
Organic hazelnuts, organic cashews, organic wa	Organic Salted Nut Mix	126
Organic polenta	Organic Polenta	127
Rolled oats, grape concentrate, expeller press	Breadshop Honey Gone Nuts Granola	128
Organic long grain white rice	Organic Long Grain White Rice	129
Org oats, org hemp granola (org oats, evaporat	Organic Muesli	130
Organic chocolate liquor, organic raw cane sug	Organic Dark Chocolate Minis	131
Organic expeller pressed, refined high oleic s	Organic Sunflower Oil	132

 Enter the names of any two food products to get their similarity (based on food ingredients).

```
from numpy import dot
from numpy.linalg import norm
def find_similarity(product1,product2):
    p1 = new openfoods us[new openfoods us.product name == product1].index.tolist(
    p2 = new_openfoods_us[new_openfoods_us.product_name == product2].index.tolist(
    p1=p1[0]
   p2=p2[0]
    p_sen1 = clean_text(new_openfoods_us.at[p1,'ingredients_text'])
    p_sen2 = clean_text(new_openfoods_us.at[p2,'ingredients_text'])
   model = w2v model.wv
    sen_vec1 = np.zeros(200)
    sen vec2 = np.zeros(200)
    for val in p_sen1:
        sen_vec1 = np.add(sen_vec1, model[val])
    for val in p_sen2:
        sen_vec2 = np.add(sen_vec2, model[val])
    return dot(sen_vec1,sen_vec2)/(norm(sen_vec1)*norm(sen_vec2))
# Organic Salted Nut Mix and Organic Sunflower Oil
find_similarity('Peanuts','Peanuts')
1.0
```

 Enter the name of any 1 food product to get the product that is most similar to it.("Organic Salted Nut Mix")
 Some ingredients are not in the dictionary, so they cannot be calculated.

2	similarity	<pre>product_name</pre>	
	1.0	Organic Salted Nut Mix	3
	0.76971	Organic Muesli	7
	0.710573	Breadshop Honey Gone Nuts Granola	5
	0.694597	Organic Sunflower Oil	9
	0.565701	Organic Dark Chocolate Minis	8
	0.340841	Banana Chips Sweetened (Whole)	1
	0.313855	Organic Long Grain White Rice	6
	0.192369	Peanuts	2
	NaN	hyde icon	0
	NaN	Organic Polenta	4

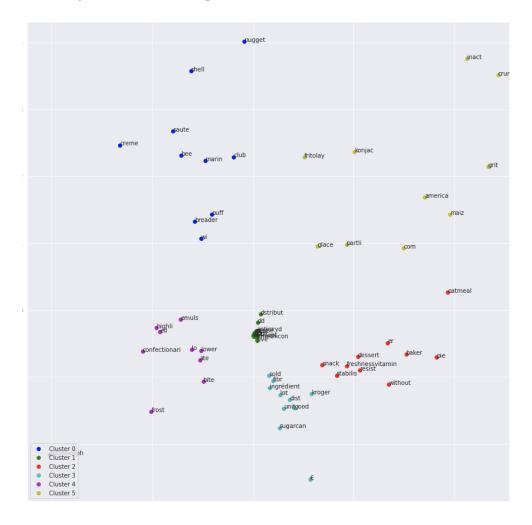
K-means

Using K_means to further cluster analysis of food becoming, a map of food ingredients can be obtained.

• After embedding, perform clustering. How to choose the number of clusters is a problem, I did not find a specific regulation, so I tried some random How to choose the number of clusters is a problem, I did not find a specific regulation, so I tried some random

```
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
clusters = 6
kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=clusters, random_state=0).fit(embeddings)
```

Map of Clustering



Conclusion

For this dataset, after selecting the sub-dataset, some features of the food ingredients could be found and the corresponding similarities were also calculated using different methods. But after modeling, I did not calculate the accuracy. Because I think there is still a lot of work to be done in the processing of the data, and the current data is not good enough to calculate the similarity.

Selection of data: This dataset has more than 100 categories, and I only selected food components for analysis, other categories will definitely have an impact on the results as well.

Data cleaning: I found that there are many special symbols (e.g. trademark R) in the maps generated by data visualization, in addition there are languages other than English (French), and there are also words that do not have any meaning (considered as spelling errors), all these uncleaned data affect the accuracy of the model.

Dictionary: I built a dictionary of more than 5000 words, but in the subsequent calculation of similarity, there are many words that are not in the dictionary, resulting in the inability to calculate, and will subsequently consider using incremental models

Running speed: The data set is too large, and the running time with RAM affects the training